Proposition : RENOVATIONS in Progress

The 37-year-old garage beneath City Hall is showing its age – fallen concrete and cracked walls, for example, have rendered a number of parking spaces unusable. But thanks to voter approval of a \$3.8 million bond issue in 2013, the public parking facility at 200 North Second Street will get a much-needed facelift starting this spring.

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will get underway in mid-March. The actual
closure date is weather dependent," he said,
"but it's our hope to begin structural repairs
no later than the end of the month."

John indicated the garage will be closed in its entirety for the project balance of approximately six months due to issues of public safety. "In doing so, we'll also have the ability to reopen the garage sooner," he said. "At this writing, we're projecting a mid-August completion date."



One noticeable structural deficiency, which is visible on Level G3, is a large chunk of concrete missing from a support beam, where a portion of the rebar has

been exposed. Stairwells will also undergo repair and redesign as a part of this structural renovation project.

oject Quick Facts:

- Constructed in 1975 and located under and adjacent to St. Charles City Hall 200 North Second Street the Public Parking Garage has not had any structural maintenance during its first 20 years of existence, and last underwent structural repairs in 1995. Currently there are 420 parking spots in the garage, 390 of which are normally available for use on a daily basis.
- Based on voter approval in April 2013, the City will begin garage renovations in mid- to late-March (weather depending); the facility will be closed in its entirety due to reasons of public safety, and to accomplish the repairs in a shorter span of time.
- The project is estimated to take approximately six months to complete from start to finish, with an anticipated reopen date sometime in mid-August 2014.
- City Hall will be ADA Accessible throughout the duration of the renovation project; the front lobby will be open and easily accessible from Second Street.
- Public Works staff have estimated project dates and deadlines based on initial work assessments; timeframes may vary once the contractor begins actual work and further facility assessments are completed.
- On the transit side, a temporary Shuttle Service scheduled for a loop route from the Lewis & Clark Boat House parking lot will run starting in mid-March when the garage closes, and will operate until the garage reopens in mid-August (see side bar for specific dates and times of operation; further details available online at stcharlescitymo.gov see *Popular Links*).
- In the interim, alternate Parking Options are identified on the map (see inset), or can also be accessed online at stcharlescitymo.gov. Photos of alternate parking lot options can be found at stcharlescitymo.gov/shortlist.
- A Business Sub-Committee continues to meet on a weekly basis at City Hall (Thursdays at 2:30 p.m.) in an effort to fine-tune communication efforts and related project promotions. Community Stakeholder Meetings were held in early March to initiate a complete roll-out of the publicity plan for this reconstruction project (to review meeting, watch video available online at stcharlescitymo.gov).



The City Hall parking garage is located under and adjacent to City Hall at 200 N. Second Street. There are entrances to the structure from Monroe and Second Streets.

Based on bid specifications, the proposed structural rehabilitation will address repairs to post-tension structural steel elements, concrete slab and column spalling, as well as asphalt and membrane surfaces.

"Stairwells are also in need of major repair and redesign," John added. "Some stairwells are unprotected from the elements, and years of rain, snow and ice have discolored the stairs, chipped paint off concrete and rusted handrails and their anchors."

During the garage renovation, the City will offer free shuttle transportation, which includes a variety of dayand night-time services (see schedule below). In addition, maps highlighting the shuttle route and alternate parking locations are available in both hard-copy and electronic formats.

For more information about this important renovation project, please visit online at stcharlescitymo.gov. You'll find the most up-to-date project information under the *Popular Links* section on the home page or by following the City on Twitter.



Monday-Friday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

Wednesday-Thursday

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6:30 A.M. - 6:30 P.M.*

6:30 P.M. - 2 A.M. (Saturday)

NOON - 2 A.M. (Sunday)

6:30 P.M. - 11 P.M.

NOON - 6 P.M.

Stops: Schedule

Second Street & First Capitol Drive

*Shuttle is free with minimal wait times.

upon area festivals and events.

 Lewis & Clark Boat House Parking Lot** (Boone's Lick Rd. to South Second St.)

A second bus will be scheduled during peak morning and afternoon drive times. Shuttle services may vary depending

- Water Street Parking Lots (South Second Street)
- **Second Street & Jefferson Street**
- North Second Street & Monroe Street**
 - **Riverside Drive & Adams Street**
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- **Riverside Drive & First Capitol Drive**

**Temporary bus shelters available at these stops.

